MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know from the honourable member the names of the areas thrown open for the removal of green manure?

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: There is a deficiency of manure of all kinds and the department is trying its best to rectify the deficiency.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: But I wanted to know the names of the areas———

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: Is it from the forest area?

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: It is said here that Government have already issued instructions to the Conservator of Forests. May I know the names of the areas?

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: I cannot give the information on that matter.

Outbreak of cattle plague.

179. *MR. K. R. NARAYANAN (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representation to the effect that there has been an outbreak of cattle plague in Kumarakam and Thuruthumma; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Two Veterinary Inspectors were placed on special duty in the affected localities. They have been working strenuously carrying out preventive measures such as inoculating the contacts, disinfection of sheds, treatment of affected animals, disposal of carcases etc., and the disease has been brought under control.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: May I know from the honourable member whether any compulsory preventive inoculation has been arranged to be done to the cattle imported to this State from outside at the boundary itself?

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: No; no compulsory inoculation has been done.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: May I know whether the contagion is not brought in by the cattle imported into the State?

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: Yes, Sir.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: May I know whether it is not necessary to make a compulsory inoculation at the boundaries themselves?

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: That question is being considered.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know whether the honourable member is aware that it is prevalent in Aramboly also?

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: Yes, Sir.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know the exact number of deaths therefrom?

MR. K. SUBRAMONA PILLAI: I cannot give the figures now.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: Will it exceed 300?

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: I have not received any figures from the officers concerned.

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MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: May I know from the honourable member whether any Veterinary Inspector or any other subordinate of that department who went there did anything to prevent the outbreak of cattle plague?

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: Yes, Sir. The Veterinary Inspector at Nagercoil has been specially deputed for the purpose and he has been supplied with anti-serum. He has carried out some preventive inoculations.

New Industries in the State.

180. *MR. G. VELU PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether new industries have been started in the State as cottage industries or on a large scale in 1117 and 1118; and

(*b*) if so, the names of such industries and where they are started?

MR. E. I. CHACKO (*Director of Industries*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 1. Starch Industry (through-out the State).
2. Pencil Manufacture (Quilon)
3. Pith, Hat making and cork substitutes (Trivandrum),
4. Malted Vinegar do.
5. Dehydration of fruits and vegetables do.
6. Brush Manufacture (Colachel)
7. Bone meal manure Factory (Kottayam and Nagercoil)
8. Slate making (Quilon)
9. Hand made paper (Trivandrum and Neyyattinkara).

MR. G. VELU PILLAI: May I know from the honourable member whether Government are encouraging any of the industries by giving grants?

MR. E. I. CHACKO: The Government have, under consideration, the sanctioning of grants for manufacture of hand made paper, spinning and other new industries in determining cases.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the honourable member, with reference to No. 7 under part (b) of the answer, whether the bone meal factories at Kottayam and Nagercoil have really commenced working?

MR. E. I. CHACKO: Yes, Sir. They have.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: With reference to part (b) of answer, item 9, may I know the total quantity of hand made paper that was manufactured in Neyyattinkara and Trivandrum?

MR. E. I. CHACKO: Sir, it was being experimented by the department as to how far hand made paper manufacture could be made a commercial proposition and in the course of the investigation we were able to manufacture about 10 reams of paper. The experiment has proved successful. Some of the samples made were sent to Punalur Paper Mills for being tested. They were found to be quite good.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether the manufacture of paper in both places is done by a Government concern?

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